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EDUCATION

American University Ph.D. in Economics <i>Committee: Nathan Larson (chair), Austin Davis, Maria Caballero Sanchez</i>	<i>Aug. 2020 – May 2026 (expected)</i>
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona <i>M.S. in Economics, Minor in Public Policy</i>	<i>2017</i>
University of California, Los Angeles <i>B.A. in Economics, Minor in Arabic</i>	<i>2016</i>

PUBLICATIONS

“Impact of political risk on emerging market risk premiums and risk adjusted returns,” *Research in International Business and Finance*, Elsevier, vol. 73(PA), with Ralph Sonenshine

WORKING PAPERS

“Refugee Immigration and Natives’ Fertility,” *CEPR Discussion Paper* with Cevat Giray Aksoy and Berkay Ozcan (submitted)
“Refugees and Access to Maternal Health Care Resources: Evidence from Turkey” (job market paper)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Do Migrants and Natives Differ in Health Care Usage? Evidence from Venezuelan Refugees in Colombia” with Sebastian Bauhoff and Sofia Castro Vargas
“The Impact of Remittances on Household Consumption: Evidence from Jordan”
“Declining Terms of Trade after Experiencing Trade Marginalization: Global Evidence from 1982 to 2020” with Bernhard Gunter and Eduardo Lederman Rawet

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

World Bank , Consultant, WDR 2026–Artificial Intelligence for Development - Duty Station: Washington D.C.	<i>Apr. 2025 – present</i>
InterAmerican Development Bank , Summer Graduate, Health Economics - Duty Station: Washington D.C.	<i>Jun. 2024 – Aug. 2024</i>
World Bank , Consultant, Health Financing - Duty Station: Washington D.C.	<i>Mar. 2022 – Jun. 2023</i>
World Bank , Consultant, Poverty & Equity - Duty Station: Beirut, Lebanon	<i>Mar. 2020 – Jun. 2022</i>
Siren Associates , Data Management Officer	<i>Mar. – Dec. 2020</i>
Centre for Lebanese Studies , Junior Researcher	<i>Jul. – Dec. 2019</i>
Wageningen University (Development Economics Group), Research Associate - Duty Station: Freetown, Sierra Leone	<i>Feb. – Jun. 2019</i>
Guinness Atkinson Asset Management , Analyst	<i>Feb. 2018 – Feb. 2019</i>
United Nations Environment Programme , Intern	<i>Jun. – Sep. 2017</i>
American University , Teaching and Research Assistant	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor , Catholic University of America	<i>Fall 2023-present</i>
Econ 241: Intermediate Macroeconomics	<i>Fall 2023 & 2024</i>
Teaching Assistant , American University	<i>Fall 2021-present</i>
Econ 361: Economic Development	<i>Fall 2023 & Spring 2024</i>
Econ 574: Economics of Antitrust & Regulation	<i>Spring 2023</i>
Econ 322: Applied Econometrics I (taught STATA labs)	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Econ 624: Applied Econometrics II (taught STATA labs)	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Econ 680: Economics MA Capstone Seminar	<i>Fall 2022 & Spring 2023</i>
Econ 600: Microeconomics	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Econ 200: Microeconomics	<i>Fall 2021 & Spring 2022</i>

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

J-PAL's MENA Scholars Fellowship	<i>Sept. 2024-present</i>
Student Travel Grant, Economics Department, American University	<i>2023</i>
Student Travel Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, American University	<i>2023</i>

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Merit Graduate Assistantship & Fellowship, American University	<i>2020 – Present</i>
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PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Conference on Political Economy & Development, Georgetown University (Presenter)	<i>upcoming</i>
Salisbury University Seminar, Maryland (Presenter)	<i>upcoming</i>
Towson International Development Economics Symposium, Baltimore (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
PAA Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
EEA Annual Meeting, New York (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
AEA/ASSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
CEMIR Junior Economist Workshop on Migration Research, Munich, Germany (Presenter)	<i>2024</i>
Washington Area Development Economics Symposium (Presenter)	<i>2024</i>
Southern Economic Association, 93rd Annual Meeting, New Orleans (Presenter)	<i>2023</i>
Transitions to Renewable Energy and Sustainable Prosperity in Lebanon	<i>2019</i>

SKILLS

Computer: STATA, SPSS, Mathematica, ODK Collect, Kobo Toolbox, Microsoft Office, L^AT_EX
 Languages: English (fluent), Arabic (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)

REFERENCES

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<u>Austin Davis</u> School of International Service American University Washington, DC 20016-8029 USA cadavis@american.edu	<u>Maria Caballero Sanchez</u> Department of Economics American University Washington, DC 20016-8029 USA caballer@american.edu